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Town Officers

Selectmen

CHARLES M. TAYLOR
ARTHUR J. PIERCE
HARRY W. BROWN

Town Clerk

CHARLES H. SMITH

Town Treasurer

ARTHUR F. BELL

Road Agent

LEON MESSER

Overseer of Poor

HENRY W. WILSON

Tax Collector

JAMES H. BALCH

Moderator

GEORGE E. EDWARDS

Supervisors

HENRY W. WILSON
PHILIP KNOWLES
LEON MESSER

Auditors

LAWRENCE PARKER
PAUL CHIESA

Ballot Inspectors

CHARLES BURNHAM
EUGENE SYLVESTER
FRANK TRAXLER
PATRICK J. SHEA

Library Trustees

ALLAN GERRARD
HENRY W. WILSON
FRANK G. TRAXLER

Health Officer

HENRY W. WILSON

Trustees of Trust Funds

ARTHUR J. PIERCE
FRANK G. TRAXLER
FRIEDRIKA L. EDWARDS

Sealer of Weights and Measures

FRED A. KNIGHT

Sexton

FRANK A. TAYLOR

Janitor of Town Hall

PATRICK J. SHEA

Forest Fire Warden

HENRY W. WILSON

Fire Wards

HENRY W. WILSON
HARRY S. DUNBAR
FRED A. SHELDON

Surveyor of Wood and Lumber

ERNEST WILSON

Water Commissioners

HARRY W. BROWN
CHARLES BURNHAM
GEORGE B. GRISWOLD

Superintendent of Water Works

WALTER E. WILSON

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Bennington in the County of Hillsbrough in Said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Bennington on Tuesday, the TENTH DAY OF MARCH next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Memorial Day.

3. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Highway and Bridges.

4. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for lighting the streets with electricity.

5. To see what action the Town will take with regard to State Aid construction, State Aid maintenance and Trunk Line maintenance.

6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Evergreen cemetery.

7. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to plow the snow from the Trunk Line and the State Aid road to Greenfield during the winter of 1931-1932.

8. To see what action the Town will take in regard to remodeling the Town hall basement for houseing of the Fire department and raise and appropriate money for the same.

9. To see what action the Town will take in relating to Engine hall and raise and appropriate money for same.

10. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a Motor Fire Pump for the Fire Department and raise and appropriate money for the same or take any other action relating thereto.

11. To see how much money the Town will raise for Statutory requirements and to carry the above articles and the appropriations of the School Meeting into effect.

12. To transact ony other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this twenty-first day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty-one.

CHAS. M. TAYLOR,
HARRY W. BROWN,
Selectmen of Bennington.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

CHAS. M. TAYLOR,
HARRY W. BROWN,
Selectmen of Bennington.

Budget of the Town of

BENNINGTON, N. H.

Estimates of Revenues and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year Jan. 31, 1931, to Jan. 31, 1932

Compared with Actual Revenue and Expenditures of the Previous Year Jan. 31, 1930 to Jan. 31, 1931

Sources of Revenue	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1930	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1931	Increase	Decrease
FROM STATE:				
Railroad Tax	109 25	109 25		
Savings Bank Tax	1091 08	1091 08		
For Fighting Forest Fires	24 88	24 88		
FOR HIGHWAYS:				
(a) For State Aid Maint.	514 20	514 20		
(b) For Trunk Line Maint.	1037 92	1037 92		
Interest and Div'd Tax	1386 52	1386 52		
FROM LOCAL SOURCES EXCEPT TAXES:				
All Licenses and Permits except Dog Licenses	25 00	20 00		5 00
Rent of Town Hall and Other Buildings	334 10	334 10		
Engine Hall	4 00			4 00
Memorial Day Refund	53 38	53 38		
Auto Permits	779 94	779 94		
FROM POLL TAXES:	622 00	622 00		
From other taxes except property taxes				
(a) National Bank Stock	2 00	2 00		
(b) 1929 Polls	20 00			20 00
(c) Taxes redeemed	24 64			24 64
FROM STATE:				
(a) For State Aid Highway Construction	1347 97	1400 00	62 03	
Revenue Which Must be Paid to Other Governmental Divisions:				
Schools, Dog Tax	115 15	115 15		
TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES	7492 03	7500 42	62 03	53 64
Amount Raised by Property Taxes:	22202 93	22202 93		
TOTAL REVENUES	29694 96	29703 35	62 03	53 64

Purposes of Expenditures	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1930	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1931	Increase	Decrease
Current Maint. Expenses:				
General Government:				
Town Officers' Salaries	830 00	830 00		
Town Officers' Expenses	357 13	357 13		
Election and Regis. Expenses	38 10	20 00		18 10
Care & Supplies for Town Hall	1225 55	900 00		325 55
Protection of Persons and Property:				
Police Department	172 60	172 60		
Fire Department	494 45	494 45		
Health:				
Health Department	94 10	94 10		
Vital Statistics	15 00	15 00		
Highways and Bridges:				
State Aid Maintenance				
State's Contribution	1862 17	1862 17		
Town's Contribution	1386 40	1386 40		
Trunk Line Maintenance				
State's Contribution	2111 77	2111 77		
Town's Contribution	2290 98	2290 98		
Town Maintenance	1451 05	1451 05		
Street Lighting	707 51	707 51		
General Expense of Highway Department	181 69	181 69		
Education:				
Libraries	250 00	250 00		
Charities:				
Town Poor	174 25	20 00		154 25
Patriotic Purposes:				
Memorial Day and Other Celebrations	150 00	150 00		

Purposes of Expenditures	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1930	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1931	Increase	Decrease
Recreation:				
Parks and Playgrounds	720 58			720 58
Public Service Enterprises:				
Town Clock	29 38	29 38		
Cemeteries	200 00	200 00		
INTEREST:				
On Long Term Notes	531 14	430 00		41 14
Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements:				
Highways and Bridges:				
State Aid Construction				
State's Contribution	1347 97	1400 00	62 03	
Town's Contribution	1347 97	1400 00	62 03	
Payment on Principal of Debt.	2000 00	2000 00		
Payments to Other Gov't Div.:				
State Taxes	2355 60	2355 60		
County Taxes	2020 57	2020 57		
Payments to School Dists.	9109 90	9109 90		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	33489 76	32240 30	124 06	1259 62

INVENTORY OF THE TOWN OF BENNINGTON

Description of Property	No.	Valuation
Lands and Buildings		$325,795 00
Electric Plants		80,000 00
Horses	36	2,860 00
Asses and Mules	1	75 00
Oxen	2	300 00
Cows	76	8,830 00
Other Neat Stock	17	1,350 00
Sheep	43	430 00
Fowls	1,044	1,044 00
Portable Mills	2	150 00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	5	875 00
Stock in Trade		200,249 00
Mills and Machinery		320,600 00

3. Polls Number 335 at $2, Total poll taxes	$670 00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	2 00	
Total, Exclusive of Soldiers' Exemptions		$942,558 00
5. Amount of taxes committed to collector, including poll taxes and national bank stock taxes		$23,246 70
6. Average rate per cent of taxation for all purposes		$23 95
8. Amount exempted to soldiers		$1,500 00

CHARLES M. TAYLOR,
HARRY W. BROWN,
Selectmen of Bennington,

Amount of Taxes given Collector	$22,576 70
Rate of Taxation $23.95 on $1,000.00	

Paid Elsewhere or Abated

Marie Buckman, over 70 years	$2 00	
Chas. Stowell, over 70 years	2 00	
Ella Nichols, over 70 years	2 00	
Effie Braid, paid in Boston	2 00	
Dorothy Burbank, paid in Farmington, N. H.	2 00	
Hazel Beard, paid in Keene, N. H.	2 00	
John Eaton, paid in Hancock, N. H.	2 00	
Edna Humphrey, paid in Antrim, N.H.	2 00	
Robert Hunter, paid in Holyoke, Mass.	2 00	
Scott Nelson, paid in Hillsboro, N. H.	2 00	
Mrs. Roger Sullivan, paid in Peterboro, N. H.	2 00	
L. A. Sargent, soldier	2 00	
Aylma Stevens, paid in Meredith, N. H.	2 00	
Geo. Whitney, paid in Newport, N. H.	2 00	
Samuel Newton, abated	7 19	
		$35 19

Unpaid Taxes 1930

Fred Lacy, poll	$2 00
Edward Lacy, poll	2 00
Ida Atwood, poll	2 00
Clayton Ashford, poll	2 00
Chas. Cole, poll	2 00
Grace Cole, poll	2 00
C. A. Daves, poll	2 00
Marion Piper, poll	2 00
Frank Reed, poll	2 00
Ralph Shaw, poll	2 00
James R. Colby	56 64
Harry Eldridge	8 86
Chas. Cole	4 79
Mary Favor Est.	71 85
Harry Favor	40 72
Abbie Hanslie	23 95

Edgar Sturtevant	4 20	
Nettie Sturtevant	28 74	
John Day	11 98	
William Thompson	5 99	
Harry Dorr	19 16	
		$296 88
Discounts		$369 86

Collected 1929 List

James R. Colby	$53 91
Charles Cole	4 54
Harry Eldredge	8 40
Mary B. Favor Est.	68 10
Harry Favor	52 44
Frances Harrington	19 30
Edgar Sturtevant	1 70
Nettie Sturtevant	27 24
Mayme Sullivan	3 41
George Starkweather	4 31
Mrs. Eugene Boisnade	1 70
Fred A. Bemis	45
Harry Dorr	18 16
Dr. W. Thompson	5 68
William Keriazis	10 81
John Atwood, poll	2 00
Grace Cole, poll	2 00
Andrew Normandin, poll	2 00
Mrs. Andrew Normandin, poll	2 00
Edgar Sturtevant, poll	2 00
Nettie Sturtevant, poll	2 00
Mayme Sullivan, poll	2 00
George Starkweather, poll	2 00
Mrs. George Starkweather, poll	2 00
Charles Cole, poll	2 00
	$300 15

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

	Description	Value
1.	Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	$10,000 00
	Furniture and Equipment	1,500 00
2.	Libraries, Lands and Buildings	5,100 00
	Furniture and Equipment	500 00
3.	Police Department, Land and Buildings	400 00
	Equipment	100 00
4.	Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	1,200 00
	Equipment	2,500 00
5.	Highway Department, Land and Buildings	300 00
	Equipment	600 00
7.	Water Supply, if owned by Town	20,000 00
8.	Schools, Lands and Buildings	40,000 00
	Equipment	5,000 00
	Total	$87,200 00

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS

1.	Town officers' salaries	$ 800 00
2.	Town officers' expenses	500 00
3.	Election and registration expenses	120 00
5.	Town hall	1,200 00
6.	Police department	150 00
7.	Fire department	450 00
9.	Health department	20 00
10.	Vital statistics	10 00
11.	State Aid maintenance	1,200 00
12.	State Aid construction	1,408 00
13.	Trunk Line maintenance	1,200 00
15.	Town maintenance	2,000 00
17.	Snow removal	150 00
19.	Street lighting	750 00
20.	General expenses of highway dept.	200 00
26.	Libraries	250 00
27.	Town poor	10 00
28.	Memorial Day	150 00
31.	Cemeteries	250 00
33.	Interest	500 00
34.	Payments on Principal of Debt.	2,000 00
35.	State Tax	2,355 00
36.	County Tax	2,020 00
37.	School Tax	9,000 00
	Total Town and School Appropriations	$26,693 00

Town of Bennington **BALANCE**

ASSETS

Cash:	
In hands of treasurer	$4,436 26
Accounts Due to the Town:	
Due from State:	
(a) State Aid Maintenance	864 38
(b) Trunk Line Maintenance	391 96
(c) State Aid Construction	146 88
Other bills due Town:	
(a) Hall rent	21 10
(b) Water Rents	19 42
Taxes not collected:	
(a) Levy of 1930	276 88
Total Assets	$ 6,156 88
Excess of liabilities over assets	9,431 00
Grand Total	$15,587 88
Net Debt, January 31, 1930	12,105 25
Net Debt, January 31, 1931	9,431 00
Decrease of Debt	$2,674 25

State purpose for which debt was created—New Bridge.

SHEET **January 31, 1930**

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town:	
Due to Precinct—Water Works	$1,808 52
Due to School Districts:	
(a) Dog licenses	115 15
(b) Balance of Appropriation	4,600 00
State and Town Joint Highway Accounts	
(a) Unexpended bal. in State Treasury	1,403 22
(b) Unexpended bal. in Town Treasury	808 65
Long Term Notes Outstanding:	
New Bridge	6,852 34
Total Liabilities	$15,587 88
Grand Total	$15,587 88

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

For Year Ending December 31, 1930

32 Male dogs licensed @ $2.00	$64 00
1 Male dog licensed for 9 months	1 50
11 Spayed female dogs licensed @ $2.00	22 00
8 Female dogs licensed @ $5.00	40 00
	$127 50
Less Clerk's fees	10 40
	$117 10
Paid for dog tags	1 95
Paid Town Treasurer	$115 15
Received for Representative, filing fee, $2.00, paid Town Treasurer for same	$2 00
Number of automobile permits issued, 169 paid Town Treasurer for same	804 81
Total amount paid Town Treasurer for calendar year	$921 96

For Fiscal Year Ending January 31, 1931

Paid Town Treasurer for dog tax	$115 15
Paid Town Treasurer for Representative filing fee	2 00
Paid Town Treasurer for automobile permits:	
From Jan. 31, 1930 to Dec. 31, 1930	361 36
From Jan. 1, 1931 to Jan. 31, 1931	418 58
Total amount paid Town Treasurer for fiscal year	$897 09

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. SMITH,
Town Clerk.

DETAIL STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

Detail No. 1—Property Taxes

James H. Balch, 1930 taxes	$21,920 78	
		$21,920 78

Detail No. 2—Poll Taxes

James H. Balch, 1930 Poll Taxes, 311 @ $2.00		$622 00

Detail No. 3—Property and Poll Taxes 1929

James H. Balch, Taxes	$159 89	
Walter Wilson, Taxes	140 26	
		$300 15

Detail No. 4—National Bank Tax

James H. Balch, Collector		$ 2 00
Tax Sales Redeemed, Mary E. McGrath	24 64	
		$24 64

Detail No. 5—Highways

State Treasurer, State Highways	$2,920 99

Detail No. 6—Interest and Dividends

State Treasurer	$1,386 52

Detail No. 8—Railroad Tax

State Treasurer

Detail No. 9—Savings Bank Tax

State Treasurer

Detail No. 11—Fighting Forest Fires

State Treasurer		$24 88

Detail No. 13—Support of Poor

County Treasurer		$293 46

Detail No. 15—Dog Licenses

Charles H. Smith		$115 15

Detail No.16—Business Licenses and Permits

William Keriazis, 2 pool tables	$20 00	
C. H. Cole, Peddlers license	5 00	
		$25 00

Detail No. 18—Rent of Town Property

P. J. Shea, Town Hall rent	$334 10	
Henry W. Wilson, Engine Hall rent	4 00	
		$338 10

Detail No. 23—Water Works

Walter Wilson, Water rents		$1,446 47

Detail No. 25—Motor Vehicle Permits

Chas. H. Smith, 1930 permits	$365 25	
Chas. H. Smith, 1931 permits	414 69	
		$779 94

Detail No. 32—Refunds

Lawrence J. Parker, Memorial Day, balance		$53 38

Detail No. 35—Filing Fees

H. W. Wilson, Representative fee	$2 00

Detail No. 36—Sales of Property

Antrim School Board, Blackboards	$7 00
Total Receipts	$31,462 79

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:

Property taxes committed to collector, 1930	$22,574 70	
Less discount and abatement, 1930	377 05	
Less uncollected, 1930	276 88	
1. Property taxes current year, actually collected	21,920 78	
2. Poll taxes, current year, actually collected 311 @ $2.00	622 00	
3. Property and poll taxes, previous years actually collected	300 15	
4. National Bank Stock taxes	2 00	
Total of above collections		$22,844 93
Tax sales redeemed		24 64

From State:

5.	For Highways and Bridges:	
	(a) For State Aid Maint.	$ 514 20
	(b) For State Aid Const.	1,347 97
	(c) For Trunk Line Maint. Includ. Snow	1,058 82
6.	Interest and dividend tax	1,386 52
8.	Railroad tax	109 25
9.	Savings bank tax	1,091 08
11.	Fighting forest fires	24 88

From County:

13.	For support of poor	293 46

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

15.	Dog licenses	115 15
16.	Business licenses and permits	25 00
18.	Rent of town property	338 10
23.	Income from departments Water works	1,446 47
25.	Registration of motor vehicles, 1930 permits	365 25
	Registration of motor vehicles, 1931 permits	414 69

Receipts Other than Current Revenue:

32.	Refunds, Memorial Day	53 38	
35.	Filing Fee	2 00	
36.	Sale of Blackboards	7 00	
	Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue		$62 38
	Total Receipts from all Sources		$31,462 79
Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1930			3,431 87
	Grand Total		$34,894 66

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

1.	Town officers' salaries	$ 830 00
2.	Town officers' expenses	357 13
3.	Election and registration expenses	38 10
5.	Expenses town hall and other town buildings	1,225 55

Protection of Persons and Property:

6.	Police department including care of tramps	172 60
7.	Fire department, including forest fires	494 45

Health:

11.	Health department, including hospitals	94 10
12.	Vital Statistics	15 00

Highways and Bridges:

14.	State Aid Maintenance	1,386 40
15.	Trunk line maintenance, including snow removal	2,290 98
16.	Town maintenance	1,451 05
17.	Street lighting, sprinkling	707 51
18.	General expenses of highway department, including watering troughs	181 69

Libraries:

19. Libraries	250 00	

Charities:

20. Town Poor	174 25	
21. County Poor	293 46	

Patriotic Purposes:

22. Aid to G. A. R. Memorial Day exercises	150 00	

Recreation:

24. Parks and playgrounds, including band concerts	720 58	

Public Service Enterprises:

26. Markets and public scales, Town Clock	29 38	
27. Cemeteries, including hearse hire	200 00	

Unclassified:

29. Taxes bought by town	24 64	
31. Water Works	658 89	

Interest:

33. Paid on long term notes	531 14	
		$531 14

Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements:

36. Highways and Bridges—State Aid construction	$2,695 93	
		$2,695 93

Indebtedness:

44. Payments on temporary

loans in anticipation of taxes	$2,000 00	
Total Indebtedness Payments		$2,000 00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:		
50. Taxes paid to State	$2,355 60	
51. Taxes paid to County	2,020 57	
53. Payments to School Districts including 1929 Dog tax	9,109 90	
Total Payments for all Purposes		$30,458 40
Cash on hand January 31, 1931		4,436 26
Grand Total		$34,894 66

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.
Dated February 17, 1931.

CHAS. M. TAYLOR
HARRY W. BROWN,
Seectmen.

ARTHUR F. BELL,
Treasurer.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

PAYMENTS

Detail I—Town Officers' Salaries

Charles M. Taylor, Selectman	$160 00	
Arthur J. Pierce, Selectman	125 00	
Harry W. Brown, Selectman	100 00	
Charles H. Smith, Town Clerk	75 00	
Arthur F. Bell, Town Treasurer	150 00	
James H. Balch, Tax Collector	150 00	
Paul Chiesa, Auditor	2 00	
Lawrence J. Parker, Auditor	4 00	
Leon Messer, Supervisor	20 00	
Henry W. Wilson, Supervisor	16 00	
Philip Knowles, Supervisor	16 00	
Henry W. Wilson, Moderator	8 00	
George E. Edwards, Moderator	4 00	
		$830 00

Detail II—Town Officers' Expenses

Walter E. Wilson, tax collector's supplies	$8 40
Contoocook Valley Tel. Co., telephone	6 10
Charles M. Taylor, stamps	12 00
Henry W. Wilson, bonds	87 20
Antrim Reporter, printing	165 58
Edson Eastman, supplies	14 60

Bennington Garage, auto for inventory	10 00	
Charles M. Taylor, expense tax meeting	7 40	
Automotive Service Bureau, auto reprints	27 60	
James H. Balch, stamps	6 00	
J. Madison Howe, tax collector's supplies	7 65	
A. W. Rowell, assessor's dues	2 00	
Charles H. Smith, expenses, clerks' meeting	2 60	
		$357 13

Detail III—Election and Registration

Edith Lawrence, dinners	$2 10	
Antrim Reporter, printing	6 00	
Frank Newton, ballot inspector	9 00	
Eugene Sylvester, ballot inspector	3 00	
Frank G. Traxler, ballot inspector	3 00	
Cora Sheldon, dinners	15 00	
		$38 10

Detail V—Town Hall

J. B. Baldwin, labor and material	$80 77	
New Hampshire Power Co., lights	85 18	
P. J. Shea, care of town hall	201 65	
Henry W. Wilson, insurance	156 25	
Antrim Reporter, printing notices	1 75	
Elwin Stevens, filing saws	70	
A. M. Flagg, labor, town office	56 45	
Paul Traxler, fixtures and labor town office	38 20	
Harry W. Brown, labor and material town office	54 18	
Fred Perrault, labor and material on eagle	40 00	
Monadnock Paper Mills, coal	216 96	
Readsboro Chair Co., chairs	200 00	
James Cashion, trucking freight	1 00	
Monadnock Paper Mills, labor and supplies, billboard	44 50	

James Cashion, cleaning chimneys	10 00	
John B. Varick, door check	14 77	
J. F. Miles, labor and supplies	6 90	
Henry W. Wilson, keys	2 70	
Steve Chase, labor	4 70	
Fred A. Knight, supplies	8 89	
		$1,225 55

Detail VI—Police Department

New Hampshire Power Co., lights	$13 46	
Henry W. Wilson, insurance and bonds	16 00	
P. J. Shea, police duty	14 00	
John W. Bryer, police duty and care of tramps	33 20	
L. J. Parker, wood	6 00	
P. J. Shea, food for tramps	2 80	
J. F. Miles, labor and supplies	1 50	
P. J. Shea, expenses of four arrests	23 44	
Bennington Garage, auto to Grasmere	15 00	
P. J. Shea, care of 168 tramps	16 80	
Fred A. Knight, food for tramps	30 40	
		$172 60

Detail VII—Fire Department

Theodore Call, payroll for fires	$101 00
Leon Messer, payroll for fires	59 34
New Hampshire Power Co., lights	12 91
Bennington Garage, labor and supplies	43 77
Arthur Blanchard, supplies	20 22
Henry Wilson, forest fire meeting	11 50
L. J. Parker, forest fire meeting	5 00
Henry George, forest fire meeting	5 00
P. J. Shea, care of engine hall	45 50
Herbert Curtis, forest fire meeting	7 75
H. W. Wilson, forest fires	40 50
Edgar Sturtevant, labor	15 35
Henry Wilson, posting notices	8 00
Henry Wilson, insurance	44 88
L. J. Parker, wood	10 00
Frank Traxler, labor on wood	1 95

Henry W. Wilson, supplies	4 60	
James Elliott, coal	23 68	
Fred A. Knight, supplies	2 15	
Charles M. Taylor, paint	1 00	
Theodore Call, rollcall payroll	30 35	
		$494 45

Detail XI—Health Department

Henry W. Wilson, health officer and expenses	$20 51	
Charles H. Smith, fumigators	21 95	
J. M. Cutter, supplies for R. Claflin	10 36	
Henry W. Wilson, supplies for R. Claflin	2 68	
Fred A. Knight, supplies for R. Claflin	9 60	
G. D. Tibbetts, chicken pox cases	29 00	
		$94 10

Detail XII—Vital Statistics

G. D. Tibbetts, returning births and deaths	$ 3 00	
Charles H. Smith, recording	12 00	
		$15 00

Detail XIV—State Aid Maintenance

E. G. Goodwin, payrolls	$383 59	
L. G. Parker, payrolls	209 48	
George Merchant, payrolls	640 69	
Charles Baily, payrolls	81 03	
L. Dufrain, payrolls	71 61	
		$1,386 40

Detail XV—Trunk Line Maintenance

George Holmes, payrolls	$ 18 13	
L. J. Parker, payrolls	637 56	
E. G. Goodwin, payrolls	249 61	
George Merchant, payrolls	743 03	
Charles Baily, payrolls	83 93	
Charles H. Robinson, payrolls	365 00	
L. Dufrain, payrolls	5 60	
		$2,102 86

Detail XVI—Town Maintenance

Leon Messer, Road Agent	$1,344 33	
William Taylor, Road Agent	106 72	
		$1,451 05

Detail XVII—Street Lighting

New Hampshire Power Co.	$707 51

Detail XVIII—General

A. M. Flagg, labor on reservoir	$7 80	
Caughey and Pratt, lumber	2 56	
Herbert E. Wilson, grinding mower	1 50	
Leon Messer, fertilizer	2 00	
A. M. Flagg, labor on watering tub	14 80	
Boston and Maine R. R., signs	5 00	
J. B. Baldwin, material for signs	8 98	
Bennington Garage, labor on watering tub	8 00	
W. F. Clark, labor on watering tub	38 80	
Frank G. Traxler, care of lawns	38 81	
Concord Foundry, manhole covers	2 40	
George M. Holmes, laying sewer pipe	6 00	
Jerry Haggerty, recording deed	1 29	
Charles H. Smith, auto permits	42 25	
Charles M. Taylor, freight	1 50	
		$181 69

Detail XIX—Library

Henry W. Wilson, appropriation	$250 00

Detail XX—Town Poor

F. J. Aiken, Frank Newton's funeral	$157 00	
Henry W. Wilson, Overseer of Poor and expenses	17 25	
		$174 25

Detail XXI—County Poor

Nettie Sturtevant, board for R. Underwood	$168 55

Fred Knight, supplies for R. Underwood	54 71	
Henry W. Wilson, carrying G. Gilson to Grassmere	8 80	
Henry W. Wilson, carrying F. Cilley to Grassmere	8 80	
G. D. Tibbetts, Gilman case	35 00	
Henry W. Wilson, carrying Mrs. Gilman to Grassmere	8 80	
Henry W. Wilson, carrying Thomas Dogmon to Grassmere	8 80	
		$293 46

Detail XXIII—Memorial Day

Lawrence Parker appropriation	$150 00

Detail XXIV—Parks and Playgrounds

Charles E. Trask, payroll for labor and trucks	$720 58

Detail XXVI—Town Clock

Henry W. Wilson, insurance	$14 38	
Charles F. Burnham, care of clock	15 00	
		$29 38

Detail XVII—Cemeteries

Anne Philbrick, appropriation	$200 00

Detail XXIX—Taxes Bought by Town

James H. Balch, tax collector	$24 64

Detail XXX—Trunk Line and State Aid Snow

Hafeli and Santere, plowing	$100 00	
L. J. Parker, sanding	84 30	
George Holmes, sanding	3 82	
		$188 12

Detail XXXI—Water Works

Walter Wilson, labor and supplies	$280 71	
J. B. Baldwin, labor and supplies	87 62	
George Ross, labor	33 31	
Herbert Wilson, labor	5 40	
J. M. Holt, labor	73 59	
Abner Avery, labor	12 15	
George McKay, labor	19 12	
L. J. Parker, truck	3 75	
Harry Brown, Jr., care of lanterns	2 10	
Stephen Chase, labor	2 00	
Harold Eaton, labor	2 25	
Robert Wilson, labor	2 25	
E. A. Newton, labor	6 30	
Hillsboro Water Works, supplies	16 80	
James Cashion, truck	3 00	
Walter Wilson, Supt.	100 00	
Fred A. Knight, supplies	8 04	
		$658 39

Detail XXXIII—Interest

Monadnock Paper Mills, interest on note	$531 14

Detail XXXVI—State Aid Construction

Charles B. Trask, payroll	$2,695 93

Detail XLIV—Notes

Monadnock Paper Mills, payment on note	$2,000 00

Detail L—State and County Taxes

Alvin Lucier, County Tax	$2,020 57	
Charles Patten, State Tax	2,355 60	
		$4,376 17

Detail LIII—School District

Margaret Taylor, appropriation	$9,000 00	
Margaret Taylor, dog tax, 1929	109 90	
		$9,109 90
Total Payments		$30,458 40

We have examined the above reports of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Superintendent of Water Works and find them correct and all disbursements properly vouched.

The above accounts have been arranged in accordance with the uniform classification of the Tax Commission.

PAUL A. CHIESA,

LAWRENCE J. PARKER,

Auditors.

TOWN HALL REPORT

1930	Rents	Janitor's Fees	Supplies
February	$31 90	$22 75	
March	34 00	23 00	
April	20 40	18 25	$8 89
May	27 50	15 25	
June	10 50	10 50	
July	14 00	5 00	
August	17 50	8 50	
September	14 00	11 90	
October	41 00	17 25	
November	36 40	20 25	
December	51 20	24 00	
1931			
January	56 30	25 00	
	$354 70	$201 65	$8 89

There is $21.10 due Town by Evan Day.

P. J. SHEA,

Janitor.

TOWN OF BENNINGTON, N. H.

Road Agent's Account

William J. Taylor, Road Agent

Week Ending March 12, 1930

William J. Taylor, 2 days 1½ hours	$8 75	
Eugene Scarbo, 1 day, 2½ hours	4 50	
William J. Taylor and truck, 1 day, 1½ hours	12 22	
Walter Smith, 5 hours	2 00	
Edgar Sturtevant, sharpening drills	1 00	
John Smiley, 1 day	3 60	
George Holmes and truck, 1 day	10 00	
L. J. Parker, horse	1 00	
L. J. Parker, truck, 5 hours	8 35	
Monadnock Paper Mills, plowing snow	45 00	
Alfred Chase, 1 day	3 60	
Harold Eaton, 1 day	3 60	
James J. Griswold, 31 loads sand	3 10	
		$106 72

Leon Messer, Road Agent

Week Ending March 22, 1930

Leon Messer, 4½ hours	$2 00	
John Smiley, 4½ hours	1 80	
George Holmes, truck, 4½ hours	5 00	
		$8 80

Week Ending March 29, 1930

Leon Messer and team, 3 days, 4 hours	$26 04	
Eugene Scarbo, 2 days, 5 hours	9 20	
		$35 24

Week Ending April 5, 1930

Leon Messer and team, 5 days, 5 hours	$41 70	
Eugene Scarbo, 6 days	21 60	
John Smiley, 5 days	18 05	
Abner Avery, 4 days	14 40	
Harvey Balch and team, 4 days,	28 00	
		$123 75

Week Ending April 12, 1930

Leon Messer and team, 4 days, 1½ hours	$31 26	
John Smiley, 1½ hours	60	
George Ross, 4 days	14 40	
Walter Smith, 4 days	14 40	
Eugene Scarbo, 4 days	14 40	
Harvey Balch and team, 4 days	28 00	
		$103 06

Week Ending April 19, 1930

Leon Messer and team, 4 days	30 00	
George Ross, 4 days	14 40	
Eugene Scarbo, 4 days	14 40	
Harvey Balch and team, 4 days	28 00	
Walter Smith, 4 days	14 40	
		$101 20

Week Ending May 3, 1930

Leon Messer to road meeting	6 00	
Leon Messer and team, 2 days, 5 hours	17 30	
Eugene Scarbo, 1 day, 1 hour	4 40	
George Ross, 5 days, 6 hours	20 40	
J. J. Griswold, gravel, 10 loads	1 00	

Harry Favor, gravel, 24 loads	2 40	
Congregational Church, gravel, 12 loads	1 20	
Andy Cleary, gravel, 10 loads	1 00	
George Newhall, gravel, 13 loads	1 30	
F. A. Knight, dynamite and tools	2 33	
		$38 93

Week Ending May 10, 1930

Leon Messer and team, 5 days, 6 hours	$42 54	
George, Ross, 5 days, 6 hours	20 40	
Eugene Scarbo, 5 days, 6 hours	20 40	
Edward Newton, 5 days, 6 hours	20 40	
William Taylor and truck, 5 days, 6 hours	56 61	
Abner Avery, 2 days, 7 hours	10 00	
John Smiley, 2 days, 2 hours	8 00	
		$178 35

Week Ending June 7, 1930

Leon Messer and team, 4 days	$30 00	
George Ross, 1 day	3 60	
Eugene Scarbo, 4 days	14 40	
		$48 00

Week Ending June 14, 1930

Leon Messer and team, 3 days, 2 hours	$24 18	
John Smiley, 8 hours	3 20	
Eugene Scarbo, 2 days	7 20	
		$34 58

Week Ending June 21, 1930

Leon Messer and team, 3 days	22 50	
Eugene Scarbo, 3 days	10 80	
George Ross, 3 days	10 80	
		$44 10

Week Ending July 12, 1930

Leon Messer and team, 2 days	$15 00	
Eugene Scarbo, 1 day, 5 hours	5 60	
George Ross, 1 day, 2 hours	4 40	
Morse Fournier, gravel	30	
		$25 30

Week Ending Aug. 9, 1930

Leon Messer and team, 3 days	$22 50	
George Ross, 1 day, 4 hours	5 60	
Eugene Scarbo, 1 day, 4 hours	5 60	
John Smiley, 1day	3 60	
Edward Sturtevant, sharpening drills	60	
J. J. Griswold, 4 loads gravel	40	
		$38 30

Week Ending Aug. 23, 1930

Leon Messer and team, 4 days, 8 hours	$36 66	
John Smiley, 4 days, 4 hours	16 00	
Eugene Scarbo, 4 days, 7 hours	17 20	
Almond Flagg, 4 days, 7 hours	17 20	
J. J. Griswold, 5 loads gravel	50	
Fred Miles, 1 day	3 60	
		$91 16

Week Ending Aug. 30, 1930

Leon Messer, 2 gallons gas and 4 brushes	$ 2 09	
Almond Flagg, 4 days, 5 hours	16 40	
Eugene Scarbo, 4 days, 5 hours	16 40	
Fred Miles, 4 days, 5 hours	16 40	
L. J. Parker, 11 gallons paint and 3 brushes	20 30	
F. A. Knight, brushes, turpentine, oil	5 20	
		$76 79

Week Ending Sept. 13, 1930

Leon Messer and team, 2 days	$15 00	
Eugene Scarbo, 2 days	7 20	

Harvey Balch, 5 loads gravel	50	
		$23 70

Week Ending Sept. 20, 1930

Leon Messer and team, 3 days	$22 50	
Eugene Scarbo, 3 days	10 80	
F. A. Knight, spikes	18	
		$23 48

Week Ending Oct. 4, 1930

Leon Messer and team, 3 days	$22 50	
George Ross, 3 days	18 00	
F. A. Knight, spikes	30	
		$33 60

Week Ending Nov. 8, 1930

Leon Messer and team, 3 days, 4 hours	$25 82	
Eugene Scarbo, 2 days, 2 hours	8 00	
George Ross, 1 day, 1 hour	4 00	
Goodell Co., sharpening drills	1 00	
		$38 82

Week Ending Nov. 22, 1930

Leon Messer and team, 3 days, 4 hours	$25 82	
John Smiley, 3 days, 4 hours	12 40	
Almond Flagg, 3 days	10 80	
Edward Newton, 2 days	7 20	
Fred Miles, 3 days	10 80	
Congregational Church, 6 loads gravel	60	
L. J. Parker, horse	2 00	
		$73 62

Week Ending Dec. 27, 1930

Leon Messer and team, 6 hours	$4 50
George Holmes and truck, 2 hours	2 22
Eugene Scarbo, 2 hours	80
Leon Messer, 1 day, 4 hours	5 79

J. J. Griswold, 1 load gravel	10	
Monadnock Paper Mills, tractor, 1 day, 4 hours	36 00	
		$49 41

Week Ending Jan. 10, 1931

Leon Messer, 1 day, 2 hours	$4 45	
Monadnock Paper Mills, tractor, 1 day, 1 hour	30 00	
Leon Messer and team, 2 hours	1 65	
Eugene Scarbo, 2 hours	80	
Leon Messer and team, 3 hours	2 25	
Leon Messer, 2 hours	95	
Monadnock Paper Mills, tractor, 2 hours	6 00	
		$46 10

Week Ending Jan. 17, 1931

Leon Messer, 1 day, 1 hour	$4 45	
Monadnock Paper Mills, tractor, 1 day, 1 hour	30 00	
Leon Messer and team, 3 hours	2 25	
Leon Messer and team, 6 hours	4 98	
Eugene Scarbo, 6 hours	2 40	
		$44 08

Week Ending Jan. 24, 1931

Leon Messer and team, 2 hours	$ 1 50	
Monadnock Paper Mills, tractor, 1 day, 4 hours	39 00	
Leon Messer, 1 day, 4 hours	5 85	
Edward Newton, 7 hours	2 80	
Leon Messer and team, 7 hours	5 81	
		$54 96
Total		$1,451 05

FIRE WARDEN'S REPORT

Merrimack Engine in good condition.

Chemical Engine in first class condition.

1,200 feet rubber lined hose in good condition.

Ladders, rubber coats, shovels, pails, fire extinguishers in good condition.

The Company has been called out to several fires.

The Company is in first class condition and well trained to fight fires.

HENRY W. WILSON,
HARRY S. DUNBAR,
FRED SHELDON,
Fire Wardens.

MEMORIAL DAY REPORT

James M. George, supt., band	$65 00
Rev. John W. Logan	10 00
Marion Griswold	13 43
Boston Regalia Co.	5 94
L. J. Parker	2 25
	$96 62
Appropriation	$150 00
	96 62
Balance	$53 38

Report of Trust Funds of Town of Bennington, January 31, 1931

Date of Creation	Trust Funds Purpose of Creation Name of Fund and Donor	How Funds are Invested As required by Chapter 162, Laws of 1915	Amount of Principal	Rate of Int't %	Income During Year	Expended During Year
1916	T. Trust Funds, A A Ramsey	Manchester Savings Bank	$ 600 00	5	42 88	
1927	A Symonds, cem fd, A M Symonds	Hillsboro Guar. Savings Bank	400 00	4	4 00	4 00
1927	S Abbott " A A Peavy	" " "	200 00	4	8 05	
1906	G A Whittem'e " G A Whittemore	N. H. Savings Bank	300 00	4	15 71	
1919	C R Whittem'e " C R Whittemore	" "	100 00	4	5 22	
1922	H Dinsmore " Mabel Bryant	" "	100 00	4	5 00	
1923	John D Butler " Mary B Jameson	" "	225 00	4	11 30	
1927	Royal V Knight " Scott W Knight	" "	150 00	4	7 22	
1923	J D&M Butler, L. fd, J D&M C Butler	" "	1000 00	4	47 42	
1929	Lizzie M Holt. cem. fd, Lizzie M Holt	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00	5	10 33	
1928	Wm Keith " William Keith	" "	100 00	5	4 59	
1928	Harriet Kimball " C H Philbrick	" "	50 00	5	2 29	
1928	A F Philbrick " C H Philbrick	" "	100 00	5	5 08	
1928	C H Philbrick " C H Philbrick	" "	200 00	5	10 21	
1928	David W Bell " Car'e Crombie	" "	100 00	5	5 00	
1905	A M Woodbury " A M Woodbury	" "	200 00	5	10 49	
1906	H P Ramsey " Anna Ramsey	" "	200 00	5	21 41	
1913	G L Herrick " G L Herrick Est	" "	200 00	5	15 29	
1914	Mrs A D Green " Mrs A D Green	" "	200 00	5	14 71	
1914	Mrs C M Whitney " Mrs C M Whitney	" "	200 00	5	14 35	

With exception of $4 00 noted above all other turned over to Cemetery Trustees

1914	A A Ramsey, cem. fd.	A A Ramsey	Amoskeag Savings Bank		1766 16	5	181 47	Same as in above table
1915	C J Kimball "	Kimball heirs	"	"	150 00	5	7 56	
1916	W S Carkin "	W S Carkin	"	"	332 20	5	16 74	
1917	A W Gray "	A W Gray	"	"	100 00	5	5 04	
1918	W H Darrah "	Mrs S Darrah	"	"	50 00	5	2 52	
1921	Ed I Dodge "	A M Dodge	"	"	100 00	5	5 14	
1923	Cal'n S Brown "	Calvin S Brown	"	"	100 00	5	6 03	
1925	Wm L Taylor "	Addie T Carter	"	"	100 00	5	5 22	
1919	Ann M Eaton "	Ann M Eaton	4¼ Gold Bond of 1932–1947		100 00	4¼	4 25	
1929	Luke Burt "	Sarah Burt est	Amoskeag Savings Bank		50 00	5	2 53	
1929	C F Manahan "	C F Manahan	"	"	100 00	5	5 05	
1930	Mary Knowles "	Philip Knowles	"	"	100 00	5		

FRIEDRIKA L. EDWARDS
FRANK G. TRAXLER
ARTHUR J. PIERCE
} Trustees of Trust Funds

REPORT OF SEXTON OF TOWN OF BENNINGTON, N. H. From January 31, 1930, to January 31, 1931

Name	Age			Died	Disease	Brought From	Place of Interment
	Yrs.	Mo.	Ds.				
Robert Knowles	71	7	5	Feb. 9, 1930	Chronic pulmonary tb		Bennington
Sarah J K Odell	75	9	18	April 25	Chronic myocarditis	Holyoke, Mass.	"
John Lewis	83	2	1	June 22	Chronic myocarditis	Manchester	"
Mary D Knowles	72	6	14	July 14	Recurrent carcimona		"
Samuel Newton	82		13	Aug. 26	Arternos clorosis	Grasmere	"
Enos Veino	78	4	3	Sept. 23	Caronary stenosis		"
J Gordon Dodge	49		4	Oct. 18	Anginia pectoris	Nashua	"
Lottie A Holmes	61	10	3	Nov 6	Chr. int. myocarditis		"
Caroline B Knapp	89			Nov. 6	Myocarditis	Rhode Island	"
Mary E Foster	67			Jan. 6, 1931	Myocarditis	Brooklyn, N. Y.	"
Jennie M Church	18		28	June 22, 1930	Septic phlebitis		Bellows Falls, Vt
Charles M Stowell	71	5	24	Oct. 2	Chermic myocarditis		Stow, Vt.
Tira Cutter	57	3	6	Oct. 4	Carcinoma of uterus		Antrim
Inf Child of Holland				Oct. 18	Still birth		"
Francis J Newton	78	10	25	Nov. 25	Chronic myocarditis		"
Report of Sexton of Mount Calvary Cemetery							
Delia Paquette	42	11	7	Apr. 10	Intestinal obstruction	Hancock	Mount Calvary Cem.
Inf. Child Cuddemi				Sept. 4	Still birth		"
Anne Munhall				Sept 14	Intestinal obstruction	Antrim	"
Inf. Child Maillette				Sept. 15			"
Inf. Child McGrath				Oct. 3			"

Respectfully submitted, FRANK A. TAYLOR, Sexton.

SUNNYSIDE CEMETERY TRUSTEES' REPORT

Cash on hand February 1, 1930	$8 42
Received from interest on Anna Eaton bond	4 25
Received from interest N. H. Savings Bank	44 45
Received from interest Hillsboro Savings Bank	20 18
Received from interest Amoskeag Savings Bank	267 47
Received from interest Manchester Savings Bank	42 88
Received from wood sold	10 00
	$397 65
Received from N. H. Mutual Insurance Co. for damage to Dascomb monument	130 00
	$527 65

Paid Out

Paid Spencer Harware Co. for lock	$ 0 90
Paid L. J. Parker, paint	21 00
Paid A. E. Holt, seed	6 20
Paid G. E. Blaisdell, trucking	5 00
Paid S. S. Clement, shears	2 00
Paid F. G. Traxler, labor	27 23
Paid Harold Eaton, labor	12 00
Paid J. H. Lindsay, gas	75
Paid J. B. Varick, nozzle	75
Paid F. G. Traxler, labor	42 39

Paid F. G. Traxler, labor	14 39
Paid H. E. Wilson, sharpening lawn mowers	4 50
Paid A. D. Avery, labor	16 34
Paid L. J. Parker, trucking and loam	27 00
Paid A. E. Holt, shears	1 40
Paid Hopkins Brothers and Belcher, lime	2 75
Paid L. J. Parker, trucking and loam	10 00
Paid E. A. Newton, labor	6 00
Paid F. G. Traxler, labor	59 50
Paid H. W. Wilson, loam	15 00
Paid F. A. Knight, supplies	4 00
Paid H. W. Wilson, labor	56 55
Paid F. G. Traxler, labor	21 45
	$357 10
Paid Cummings Brothers, repairing Dascomb monument	125 00
Paid F. A. Knight, setting up Dascomb monument	5 00
Cash on hand February 1, 1931	40 55
	$ 527 65

FRANK G. TRAXLER,

HENRY W. WILSON,

J. PRENTIS WESTON,

Trustees.

REPORT OF EVERGREEN CEMETERY

Cash on hand from 1929 fund	$ 27 00
Deposit May 27, 1930	200 00
Deposit Nov. 15, 1930, George Holmes lot	5 00
	$232 00

Paid April 7. A. Philbrick, 1929 insurance	$ 3 75
Paid May 28. Ben. Messer, pulling stumps	16 40
Paid May 31. W. O. Smith, labor	57 40
Paid June 3. Stephan Chase, loam	12 00
Paid June 5. John B. Varick, grass seed	3 39
Paid June 6. Eugene Scarbo, labor	53 60
Paid Aug. 6. Maude Handy, fertilizer	4 00
Paid Aug. 15. Walter O. Smith, labor	7 20
Paid Aug. 15. Walter O. Smith, labor	38 00
Paid Oct. 8. John B. Varick, grass seed	3 71
Paid Oct. 8. Hopkins Bros. & Belcher, fertilizer	4 10
Paid Oct. 8. Olin Newhall, labor	6 00
Paid Nov. 17. Henry Wilson, 1930 insurance	3 75
	$213 30

	$232 00
	213 30
Balance on hand	$18 70

Perpetual Care

Carfare to Peterboro	$ 1 00
Paid Guy H. Veino, labor, 62½ hours	25 00
Grass trimmers	2 00
Rubbish barrel and paint	1 50
Paint for gates and labor	1 30

Fare to "Little Tree Farm"	1 00
Paid Walter O. Smith, mowing cemetery	10 40
Paid Eugene Scarbo, labor	3 60
Paid Ann Philbrick, labor	3 00
Paid Walter O. Smith, labor	24 00
Flowers for Stevens lot	2 75
Flowers for Whitney lot	1 30
Flowers for Holt lot	1 30
Flowers for Herrick lot	1 30
Flowers for Brown lot	1 00
Flowers for Burtt lot	1 00
Flowers for Fleming lot	1 50
Flowers for Manahan lot	1 50
Flowers for Philbrick lot	1 75
Paid for evergreen tree	3 00
	$89 20
Balance from 1929 fund	$66 47
Drew from trust fund, 1930	84 58
	$151 05
	89 20
Balance on hand	$61 85

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN AND TRUSTEES OF THE G. E. P. DODGE LIBRARY

For the Year Ending January 31, 1931

Books by Gifts	33
Mrs. John Bryer, Historic Plymouth	1
Rev. John Logan, Bible, published 1792	1
Mrs. Cora Philips, school books, published 1824, 1848, 1848, 1851	4
Roland Taylor, boys' books	11
From Secretary of New Hampshire	13
United Fruit Company, New York	1
Wall Street, New York	2

Magazines

Clarence Kochersperger, Mrs. Mary Knight, Arthur J. Pierce, Charles Smith.

By Gifts

A. J. Pierce, two framed etchings, the Arch of Titus, Rome. Miss Charlotte Balch, coat belonged to Alexander Caldwell, supposed to be a part of his uniform worn in the war of 1812. Badge, presented by the people of Bennington, N. H., in grateful recognition of patriotic services in the World War. Two bugs, Harry Dunbar, Jr. Butterflies, Zellie and Stella Gilman. Shells, Elizabeth Korkunis.

Cards issued in town	224
Cards issued to summer patrons	41
Visitors to the Library during the year	66
Cash on hand, 1930	$1 80

From fines	6 98
For sale of magazines	1 35

Expenses

Broom	$0 79
Oil	20
Matches	05
	$1 04
Paid Henry W. Wilson	7 00
On Hand	$2 09

Respectfully submitted,

EMMA G. BARTLETT,

Librarian.

HENRY W. WILSON,

ALLAN GERRARD,

FRANK G. TRAXLER,

Trustees.

Treasurer's Report of G. E. P. Dodge Library

Cash on hand February 1, 1930	$272 40
Received from Butler Fund interest	47 42
Received from Town Treasurer	250 00
Received from Emma Bartlett	7 00
	$576 82

Paid Out

Paid for wood	$30 00
Paid for electric lights	14 48
Paid F. G. Traxler, labor	12 45
Paid for magazines	11 00
Paid for insurance for three years	128 25
Paid for supplies	16 15
Paid L. J. Parker, trucking	4 50
Paid James Cashion, cleaning chimney	6 00
Paid H. W. Wilson, labor and cash paid out	9 25
Paid Emma G. Bartlett, librarian, salary	100 00
Paid for record book	65
Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1931	244 09
	$576 82

HENRY W. WILSON,
Treasurer.

Approved:
ALLAN GERRARD.

BENNINGTON WATER WORKS CO.

Collected on 1929 list	
A. M. Flagg	$2 50
F. J. Newton	2 50
Collected on 1930 list	1,441 47
	$1,446 47
Paid to A. F. Bell, Town Treasurer	$1,446 47

UNCOLLECTED BILLS FOR 1930

W. E. Keriagis	$11 92	
Evon Day	7 50	
	$19 42	
Net income of 1929		$1,020 44
Net income of 1930		788 08
Total net income available for improvements, etc.		$1,808 52

WALTER E. WILSON,
Superintendent.

HARRY W. BROWN,
Water Commissioner.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF BENNINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

For the Fiscal Year July 1, 1929 to July 1, 1930

Payments

Administration		
1. Salaries of District Officers		
George E. Edwards, chairman of School Board	$25 00	
Hattie A. Wilson	25 00	
Sally C. Pierce	25 00	
Arthur F. Bell, Clerk	5 00	
Margaret J. Taylor, Treasurer	50 00	
		$130 00
2. Excess of Superintendent's salary Lawton C. Chase		183 78
3. School census, Freida Edwards		7 00
4. Expense of administration		93 42
Instruction		
5. Teachers' Salaries		
Hazel Beard, high school teacher	$1,400 00	
Dorothy Burbank, elementary teacher	1,100 00	
Lulu M. Cilley, elementary teacher	$1,050 00	
Mae Cashion, elemetary teacher	1,050 00	
Mrs. Putnam, music	200 00	
		4,800 00

6. Text Books		
High School	$295 80	
Elementary	167 75	
		463 55
7. Scholars' Supplies		
High School	$ 25 74	
Elementary	158 11	
		183 85
8. Flags, metal rope and putting up		48 15
9. Other Expense of Instruction		40 72
Operation and Maintenance		
10. Janitor Service		
E. G. Stevens	$538 00	
Helen Fournier	110 00	
		668 00
11. Fuel, none this year		
12. Janitor supplies	$48 97	
Electric Lights	103 15	
		152 12
13. Minor Repairs		45 32
Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities		
14. Medical inspection, Dr. Tibbetts		87 00
15. Transportation, none		
16. High School tuition, Hillsboro		450 00
17. Elementary, Antrim		129 16
18. Other special activities, picnic summer of 1930		14 75
19. Fixed charges, per capita tax		220 00
20. Insurance, none		
21. Outlay for construction, grading of school yard		500 00
22.		
23. New equipment, step ladder		3 50
Total payments for all purposes		$8,220 52
Balance on hand June 30, 1930		367 13
Grand Total		$8,587 65

MARGARET J. TAYLOR,
Treasurer.

CHARLES M. TAYLOR,
EMMA A. JOSLIN,
Auditors.

ANNUAL REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1930

Summary

Cash on hand June 30, 1929, Treas., bank balance		$570 65
Received from Selectmen, appropriation for current year		8,000 00
Received from all other sources		
Mr. Chase, 1 desk, 2 chairs	$7 00	
M. J. Taylor, 1 teacher's desk	5 00	
F. Newton, piano	2 00	
L. Parker, blackboard	1 00	
Harry Dunbar, 2 blackboards	2 00	
		17 00
Total amount for fiscal year		$8,587 65
Less School Board orders paid		8,220 52
Balance on hand June 30, 1930		$367 13

MARGARET J. TAYLOR,
District Treasurer.

CHARLES M. TAYLOR,
EMMA A. JOSLIN,
Auditors.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Bennington School Board:

It is hardly necessary to comment again on the fact that Bennington maintains its public school system on a plain suggested by the Educational Departments of Columbia and Harvard Universities. This cares for modern pupil accounting in all phases, guarantees to the tax payer the same or a higher rate of return for the tax dollar invested in Bennington than he would secure elsewhere over a national field, and offers to parents the only known method of guidance, should parents see fit to make in-

quiry concerning the capabilities and talents or deficiencies of their children. Parents could, if they saw fit, make greater demands for more knowledge, particularly at times of transfer or promotion to secondary schools. The plan is made possible through clerical service maintained in the supervisory office.

It is also hardly necessary to comment upon the fourth successive year of high rating on standard test basis, secured by the school system. In Bennington, under a program of standardized testing, any such result has come to be accepted as her due; and rightfully so.

Due credit is extended to all members of the teaching staff for intelligent service.

Costs, during the last fiscal year, increased $665.08 in total over those of the previous year. They would have been much higher, due to the necessity of providing adequate secondary school equipment, had it not been for the continued generosity of the donors of the building.

The Board could consider the modern trend, based upon sound educational technique, for radio equipment within the building for the purposes of music appreciation, using the national program which is broadcast weekly for school use; and under highly suitable auspices.

Supervision has been given to understand that moving pictures of travel are to be made available in the high school, at least on occasion. This modern trend of centralized schools is growing rapidly. The Board could consider equipping one room with semi-opaque shades for an extension of the program of visual education.

Bennington sincerely desires to be in the forefront of all good schools, and there is no greater educational activity than travel, whether actually or on the silver screen.

Per pupil costs in the elementary department are as low as to continue Bennington in the list of efficient systems maintained by the Boards at the extremely low levels.

There was a decrease in secondary school tuition costs of $1,046.21 during the past fiscal year over the cost for the previous year.

Percent of attendance was 96 for the last fiscal year. This is the highest record since 1920. The number of tardinesses in 1920 was 283; in 1930, only 94. Average attendance was 87 pupils. Four certificated teachers, to

whom due credit for their work is herewith given, maintained a full school year, allowing the customary one day leave for educational purposes. The loss to the Town by reason of closing its schools for any reason, was the lowest since 1920 with the exception of one year. The overhead cost for all items of administration was 7.71%. The percent of the total budget expended for supervision, all items, including the per capita tax, was 4.91.

(Signed) LAWTON CHASE
February 10, 1931. Superintendent of Schools

NOT ABSENT OR TARDY

Year 1929 and 1930

HIGH SCHOOL

Harold Brown
Kenneth Wilson

GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Florence Champney
Joseph Diemond
LeRoy Diemond

INTERMEDIATE

Arthur Diemond
Hattie Parker
Alfred Champney
Gerald Call

PRIMARY

Herman Skinner
Bertha Diemond
Mae Sheldon
Robert Champney

SCHOOL APPROPRIATION 1930-1931

Support of Schools:		
School Board budget of necessary expenses of (High)	$1,600 00	
Instruction, Operation, and Special Activities (Elem.)	5,724 92	
		$ 7,324 92
Other Statutory Requirements:		
Salaries of dist. officers	$147 00	
Truant officer and school census	7 00	
Superintendent's excess salary	183 78	
$2 per capita tax for super.	230 00	
Tuition in high schools and acad.	1,170 00	
Other obligations, Superintendent's clerk	50 00	
		$1,787 78
Total amount of school board's budget and special appropriations made by district		$9,112 70
Deduction for estimated income of district from sources other than current taxation, Dog Tax		$ 112 70
Amount to be raised by taxation for budget and appropriations		$9,000 00

SCHOOL BOARD

Budget for the Year 1931-1932

Salaries of Officers	$147 50
Salaries of Teachers	5,025 00
Salary of Janitor	700 00
Fuel	350 00
Scholars' Supplies	200 00
Superintendent's Excess Salary	183 78
Superintendent's Clerk	50 00
Per Capita Tax	220 00
Electric Lights	100 00
Transportation	144 00
Tuition	900 00
Elementary	90 00
Medical Inspection	100 00
Text Books	300 00
Other Expenses for Instruction	10 00
Expenses for Administration	50 00
Janitor's Supplies	45 00
Insurance	
Flags and Appurtenances	
Grading	
Unseen Expenses	200 00
Two Year High	
	$8,815 28

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School district in the town of Bennington, qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district of the SIXTH DAY OF MARCH, 1931, at 8 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.

2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.

6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

8. To see if the district will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the district, as determined by the school board in its annual report.

9. To see if the District will raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for a fence on the play-ground.

Given under our hands at said Bennington this 17th day of February 1931.

GEORGE E. EDWARDS,
HATTIE A. WILSON,
School Board.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

GEORGE E. EDWARDS,
HATTIE A. WILSON,
School Board.

Vital Statistics

VITAL STATISTICS.

Births Registered in the Town of Bennington for the Year ending December 31, 1930

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Liv'g or sb.	Sex	No. of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Occupation of Father	Residence of Parents	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
Mar. 2	Richard	L	M	1		Florence Piper		Bennington		Francestown
Mar. 28	Constance M.	L	F	2	Theodore F. Call	Gertrude M. Cody	Paper Maker	Bennington	Antrim	Bennington
April 14	David C.	L	M	5	Paul G. Traxler	Dorothy M. Collins	Cutlery Worker	Bennington	Bennington	Keene
April 23	Irene M.	L	F	1	Floyd Lamb	Marie Church		Ms. & Benn.		Rochester, Vt.
May 15	Vera M.	L	F	1	Patrick Cashion	Evelyn L. Powers	Paper Maker	Bennington	Bennington	Hancock
June 2	Peter, Jr.	L	M	1	Peter Martelle	Louise M. Traxler	Laborer	Bennington	Greenfield	Bennington
June 10	Daniel G.	L	M	3	George McKay	Leona Gregg	Paper Maker	Bennington	Antrim	Melvins Mills
June 25		sb		5	Henry Derosier	Ellen Bates	Laborer	Bennington	Manchester	Gilsum
Aug. 7	Dallas E.	L	M	3	Addison S. Southwick	Dora A. Piper	Truck Driver	Antrim	Orange, Mass.	Roxbury
Sept. 4		sb	M	7	Joseph Cuddemi	Numzea Lorocono	Paper Maker	Bennington	Italy	Italy
Sept. 4	Mary R.	L	F	6	George Gilman	Rosanna Labier	Mechanic	Bennington	Peterboro	Greenfield
Sept. 15		L	F	1	Joseph B. Maillette	Mary A. McGrath	Paper Maker	Bennington	Bennington	Bennington
Oct. 18		sb	M	1	Charles R. Holland	Bernice G. Shoultz	Paper Maker	Bennington	Yeagertown, Pa.	Antrim
Nov. 16	Barbara L.	L	F	3	George B. Griswold	Marion L. Shea	Cutlery Worker	Bennington	Bennington	Hancock
Nov. 29	Raymond P.	L	M	1	Paul Cernata	Mary Fric	Mill Hand	Bennington	Czechoslovakia	Czechoslovakia
Dec. 26	William B., Jr.	L	M	5	William B. Heath	Cora R. Piper	Mechanic	Bennington	Bradford, Vt.	Goffstown

Marriages Registered in the Town of Bennington for the Year ending December 31, 1930

Date and Place of marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age—years	Occupat'n of Groom & Bride.	Place of Birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Occupat'n.	Name, Residence, and Official Station of Person by whom married.
February 8 Keene	Kenneth W. Locke	Antrim	22	Farmer	Deering	Arthur W. Locke	Deering	Farmer	Charles W. Tibbetts
						Belle Cilley	Hillsboro	Housewife	Clergyman Keene
	Hiley J. Holt	Bennington	23	Cutlery Wk.	Bennington	Jerimiah Holt	Greenfield	Laborer	
						Goldie E. Wilbur	Surrey	Housewife	
February 23 Keene	Ernest D. Hutchinson	Peterborough	23	Caretaker	Peterborough	Dennis T. Hutchinson	Digby, N. S.	Laborer	C. Raymond Chappell
						Threasa M. Dorman	Peterborough	Housewife	Clergyman Keene
	Atheleath G. Edwards	Bennington	22	Teacher	Bennington	George E. Edwards	Milton	Foreman	
						Caroline E. Hoffman	Milton	Housewife	
April 22 Hancock	Peter N. Martelle	Peterborough	21	Chauffeur	Greenfield	Fred A. Martelle	Lowell, Mass.	Carpenter	F. Pearson
						Lydia M. Defoe	Wilton	Housewife	Clergyman Hancock
	Louise M. Traxler	Bennington	23	At Home	Bennington	Frank G. Traxler	Mansfield, Ohio	Mechanic	
						Nellie M. Jones	Deleware, Ohio	Housewife	
June 26 Wilton	Thomas W. Smith	Schenectady, NY	30	Chauffeur	Canada	Thomas J. Smith	Canada	Moulder	Thomas J. Homer
						Mary J. Shaw	Canada	Housewife	Clergyman Wilton
	Leda M. Fournier	Bennington	35	Housekeep'r	Wilton	Adolph Gregoire	Canada	Retired	
						Clara Allen	Brattleboro, Vt.	Clerk	
July 19 Hillsboro	Joseph B. Maillette	Bennington	26	Paper M'k'r	Bennington	William F. Maillette	Nova Scotia	Carpenter	Charles J. Leddy
						Ellen Cashion	Greenfield	Housewife	Catholic Priest Hillsboro
	Mary A. McGrath	Bennington	23	Nurse	Bennington	Patrick McGrath	Ireland	Laborer	
						Nellie Cody	Ireland	Housewife	
August 25 Greenfield	Alton G. Fairfield	Hancock	24	Laborer	Hancock	Maurice A. Fairfield	Hancock	Farmer	William Weston
						Clara M. Warren	W. Hartford, Vt.	Housewife	Clergyman Milford
	Marion A. Piper	Bennington	22	At Home	E. Sullivan	Eugene H. Piper	New Boston	Laborer	
						Cora Gurtain	Fall River, Ms.	Paper M'k'r	
August 30 Hillsboro	Adelard Jondoin	Bennington	41	Carpenter	Canada	Ovile Jondoin	Canada	Carpenter	Ernest E. Gagnon
						Lucy Subois	Canada	Housewife	Catholic Priest Hillsboro
	Cora Piper	Bennington	50	Paper M'k's	Fall River, Ms.	Moses Gurtain	Canada	Laborer	
						Adaline Martelle	Canada	Housewife	

Marriages Registered in the Town of Bennington for the Year ending December 31, 1930

Date and Place of marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age—years	Occupat'n of Groom & Bride.	Place of Birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Occupat'n.	Name, Residence, and Official Station of Person by whom married.
September 2 Chichester	George E. Cummings	Henniker	22	Laborer	Henniker	Herbert A. Cummings	Penacook	Farmer	H. Franklin Parker
						Alice M. Patterson	Henniker	Housewife	Justice Peace Chichester
	Nellie M. Chetwynd	Bennington	22	Housework	Bennington	Albert F. French	Greenfield	Laborer	
						Nellie M. Smith	Walpole	Housewife	
September 13 Peterborough	Charles A. Smith	Peterborough	20	Laborer	Peterborough	Alexander Smith	Peterborough	Laborer	Henry G. Megathlin
						Rose Barton	Saco, Maine	At Home	Clergyman Peterboro'
	Florence A. Piper	Bennington	20	At Home	Francestown	Eugene H. Piper	New Boston	Farmer	
						Cora Gurtain	Fall River, Ms.	At Home	
September 21 Bennington	Harry P. Harrington	Gardner, Mass.	24	Auto Mech.	Gardner, Mass.	Henry C. Harrington	Vermont	Farmer	Henry W. Wilson
						Martha L. Gates	Ashb'nham, Ms.	Housekeep'r	Justice Peace Benn.
	Gertrude King	Gardner, Mass.	24	Housekeep'r	Gardner, Mass.	John B. Kelly	Ireland	Chair Mfg'r	
						Mary Moore	New York	Housewife	
October 18 Bennington	Tracy L. Claflin	Bennington	20	Paper M'k'r	Hancock, Vt.	Harry C. Claflin	Hancock, Vt.	Millwright	Ernest E. Gagnon
						Nellie M. Adams	Bennington	Housewife	Catholic Priest Hillsboro
	Doris M. Paquette	Hancock	17	At Home	Hancock	Ernest J. Paquette	Hancock	Laborer	
						Delia Vayo	Lowell, Mass.	Housewife	
November 8 Antrim	Anne J. Bariteau	Bennington	32	Watch M'k'r	Nashua	Anthony Bariteau	Canada		Ralph H. Tibbals
						Cordelia Ray	Canada		Minister Antrim
	Harriet L. Starkweather	Antrim	17	At Home	Hancock	George Starkweather	Walpole	Farmer	
						Bertha M. Austin	Antrim	Cutlery Wk.	

Deaths Registered in the Town of Bennington for the Year ending December 31, 1930

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age			Place of Birth	Sex	S M W D	Occupation	Place of Birth		Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
			Years	Months	Days					Father	Mother		
Feb. 9	Bennington	Robert Knowles	71	7	5	Scotland	M	M	Paper Maker	Scotland	Scotland	James Knowles	Isabel Paul
*Apr. 10	Concord	Delia Paquette	42	11	7	Lowell, Mass.	F	M	Housewife	Canada	Canada	Z. Vayo	Delia LaPoint
*Apr. 25	Holyoke, Ms.	Sarah J. K. Odell	75	9	18	Bennington	F	W	None	Mason	Temple	Caleb J. Kimball	Ruth Felt
June 22	Bennington	Jennie M. Church	18	0	28	Rochester, Vt.	F	S	None	Lowell, Mass.	Esc'naba Mich	George C. Church	Jennie Church
*June 22	Goffstown	John Lewis	83	2	5	Greenfield	M	W	Retired	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
July 14	Bennington	Mary D. Knowles	72	6	14	Scotland	F	W	At Home	Scotland	Scotland	John Duncan	Jane MacNaughton
*Aug. 8	Goffstown	Samuel Newton	84	0	7	Bennington	M	W	Farmer	Lyndeboro	Lyndeboro	Henry Newton	Emily Blanchard
Sept. 4	Bennington	Cuddemi	0	0	0	Bennington	M	S	None	Italy	Italy	Joseph Cuddemi	Numzea Lorocono
*Sept. 14	Concord	Anne Munhall				Antrim	F	S	At Home	Ireland	Unknown	John Munhall	Unknown
Sept. 15	Bennington	Maillette	0	0	1	Bennington	F	S	None	Bennington	Bennington	Joseph B. Maillette	Mary A. McGrath
Sept. 23	Bennington	Enos Veino	78	4	3	Nova Scotia	M	W	Retired	Nova Scotia	Nova Scotia	Nelson Veino	Betsy Norse
Oct. 2	Bennington	Charles M. Stowell	71	5	4	Hyde Park, Vt.	M	W	Lumberman	Hyde P'k, Vt.	Hyde P'k, Vt.	George W. Stowell	Revilla P. Bailey
*Oct. 3	Unionv'le, Conn.	Richard F. McGrath	0	0	1	Unionv'le, Conn.	M	S	None	Bennington	Hillsboro	Richard McGrath	Bernice Strickland
Oct. 4	Goffstown	Tira Cutter	57	3	6	Hillsboro	F	W	None	Newport	Newport	Horace Perry	Unknown
*Oct. 15	Manchester	Grace Coughlan	38	6	12	Manchester	F	M	Housewife	Manchester	Lowell, Mass.	George Wheeler	Mary J. Kerwin
Oct. 18	Antrim	Holland	0	0	0	Antrim	M	S	None	Yeagert'n, Pa.	Antrim	Charles R. Holland	Barnice Shoultz
*Oct. 18	Merrimack	J. Gordon Dodge	49	0	4	Windsor	M	M	R.R. Foreman	Goffstown	Pembroke	John G. Dodge	Nellie M. Drew
Nov. 3	Bennington	Lottie A. Holmes	61	10	3	Iowa	F	M	Housewife	Ohio	Ohio	John Swift	Unknown
Nov. 6	Providence, R.I.	Caroline B. Knapp	89			Unknown	F	M	Housewife	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
Nov. 25	Bennington	Francis J. Newton	78	10	25	Bennington	M	W	Farmer	Lyndeboro	Lyndeboro	Henry Newton	Emily Blanchard

*Brought here for Burial

I hereby certify that the above returns are correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief. CHARLES H. SMITH, Town Clerk

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